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SUBJ: UNEP GOVERNING COUNCIL MARCH 11-22: U.S. DELEGATION
PRESS CONFERENCE PLANS

1. EMBOFF ON FEB. 28 DISCUSSED QUESTION POSSIBLE U.S.
DELEGATION PRESS CONFERENCES WITH UNEP COMMUNICATIONS
CHIEF KINES, WHO AGREED TO MAKE SPACE AVAILABLE
KENYATTA CONFERENCE CENTER BUT ASKED THAT WE ADVISE
HIM SOONEST OF DATES/TIMES.

2. SINCE REGULAR GC MEETING HOURS WILL BE FROM 0930 TO
1230 AND 1430 TO 1730, WOULD SUGGEST BEST TIME FROM
POINT OF VIEW LOCAL PRESS DEADLINES WOULD BE 1230 TO
1300. GC MEETING WILL OPEN AFTERNOON MARCH 11, WITH
OFFICIAL GOK WELCOMING CEREMONY SCHEDULED 1000 MARCH 12.
AS LOCAL PRESS WILL FOCUS ON PRESIDENT KENYATTA AND
WELCOMING CEREMONY MARCH 12, SUGGEST U.S. DEL CONSIDER
HOLDING ITS INITIAL PRESS CONFERENCE ON EITHER MARCH 11
OR 13 AT 1230, WITH LATTER DATE PREFERRED BECAUSE
EXEC. DIR. STATEMENT NOW MOVED UP ON AGENDA TO OPENING
MEETING AFTERNOON MARCH 11.

3. IF SECOND PRESS CONF. DESIRED, SUGGEST 1230 ON
MARCH 20 OR 21.

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4. PLEASE ADVISE SO EMBASSY CAN BOOK SPACE KENYATTA

CENTER, WHICH WE BELIEVE MORE DESIRABLE LOCATION FOR
PRESS CONFERENCES THAN NEARBY USIS FACILITY.

5. IF DELEGATION ALSO PLANS NGO BRIEFINGS, MAY WISH
CONSIDER COMBINING THESE WITH PRESS BRIEFINGS. UNEP
PLANNING DAILY JOINT PRESS/NGO BRIEFINGS FROM 0800 TO
0900. IF SEPARATE NGO BRIEFINGS PREFERRED,
PLEASE ADVISE DATES/TIME SO THAT SPACE FOR THESE
BRIEFINGS CAN ALSO BE RESERVED AT KENYATTA CENTER NOW.
ON TIMING, WOULD SUGGEST EITHER 0845 (UNEP WOULD BREAK
ITS BRIEFINGS OFF EARLY ON DAYS U.S. DEL WANTS BRIEF
NGO'S) OR 1230.
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